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SUBJ: US-USSR TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: (A) RAIL TRANSPORT
WORKING GROUP - TRACK (NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING), AND
(B) TRANSPORT OF THE FUTURE WORKING GROUP

REF: A) STATE 185330

B) STATE 173785

C) MALASHKO-RAMUNDO TELEGRAM OF 5 AUGUST

D) RAMUNDO-MALASHKO TELEGRAM OF ABOUT 19 JULY

1. IN RESPONSE SCIOFF PRESENTATION FROM REF A, BARINOV EXPLAINED THAT SOVIET UNDERSTANDING OF MAY MEETINGS WITH MITCHELL AND RAMUNDO WAS THAT, ALTHOUGH RAIL TRANSPORT VISIT TO USSR WAS FIXED, NO DECISION WAS TAKEN WITH RESPECT TO VISIT BY TRANSPORT-OF-FUTURE GROUP. BARINOV STATED THAT RAMUNDO HAD REPORTED IN MAY THAT US BUDGET CONSTRAINTS WOULD LIMIT TRANSPORT-OF-FUTURE PROJECT TO THEORETICAL CONSIDERATIONS, ELIMINATING ANY PRACTICAL OR HARDWARE ASPECTS FROM THE COOPERATION.

2. BARINOV EXPLAINED THAT FOR ABOVE REASONS, SCIOFF MESSAGE AND LETTER FROM REF B TOOK SOVIETS AS COMPLETE SURPRISE. NONETHELESS, SOVIETS HAVE TRIED IN LIMITED TIME TO BUILD UP A PROGRAM, AND SUGGESTED SCHEDULE REARRANGEMENT IN MALASHKO TELEX (REF C) REFLECTS EFFORT TO PREPARE BETTER PROGRAM. BARINOV CONCLUDED
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THAT SUBSTANTIVE TOUR ON MAGNETIC LEVITATION IM-

POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE IN SHORT TIME ALLOTTED.

3. BARINOV COMMENTED THAT HE HAD NOT CONCURRED IN MALASHKO TELEGRAM (REF C), OF WHICH HE HAS RECEIVED A COPY. HE HAS NOT SEEN REF D, TO WHICH REF C REFERS. EMBASSY RECEIVED NEITHER REF C NOR REF D.

4. IN VIEW OF SHORT TIME AN INCOMPLETE INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE, BARINOV CONCURRED WITH SCIOFF THAT BEST SOLUTION IS DIRECT RAMUNDO-MALASHKO COMMUNICATION.

5. IF DIRECT COMMUNICATION ELECTED, PLEASE PROVIDE INFO COPY TO EMBASSY.
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